Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. – 9. (Cancelled)

10. (New) An electronic key having key housing that has a suspension eyelet in a region close to its periphery, the suspension eyelet having a deployed use and a stowed non-use position, wherein:

the suspension eyelet is held by a guide arm which is mounted to the housing;

the guide arm is movable such that the suspension eyelet is lowered into a receiving space in the key housing, in which it is inaccessible in its non-use position; and

the suspension eyelet is movable out into the use position for the purpose of suspending the electronic key.

11. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 10, wherein the guide arm of the suspension eyelet is held on the key housing by means of a rotary bearing, such that it can pivot.

12. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 10, wherein in that the guide arm of the suspension eyelet is held on the key housing such that it can slide.

13. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 10, wherein:

the key housing has a receiving shaft for an associated mechanical key which can be inserted into the receiving shaft and can be completely withdrawn from the latter; and

the suspension eyelet is automatically moved into the use position when the mechanical key is withdrawn from the receiving shaft.

14. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 13, wherein the mechanical key forces the suspension eyelet into its non-use position when the mechanical key is inserted into the receiving shaft.

15. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 13, further comprising a spring arranged on the key housing; wherein said spring automatically moves the suspension eyelet into the use position.

16. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 15, wherein, in its non-use position, the suspension eyelet is supported against a holding zone of the inserted mechanical key which is secured on the key housing by means of associated holding means.

17. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 15, wherein, in the use position, the suspension eyelet is supported against a bearing point of the key housing under action of the spring.

18. (New) The electronic key as claimed in claim 13, wherein:

the mechanical key is a flat key;

the suspension eyelet has a plate-like region which runs substantially parallel to a broad side of the inserted flat key in a common receiving shaft of the key housing.

19. (New) An electronic key, comprising:

a key housing; and

a suspension eyelet by which the key housing can be supported on one of a key ring and a key hook;

wherein the suspension eyelet is movable between a deployed position in which it is accessible for such a key ring or hook, and a stowed position in which it is inaccessible for such a key ring or hook.

20. (New) An electronic key, according to claim 10, wherein:

said housing further comprises a receptacle for accommodating insertion of an associated mechanical key for storage therein;

insertion of said mechanical key causes said supervision eyelet to be moved into the stowed position.

21. (New) An electronic key, according to claim 20, wherein said mechanical key has a suspension structure by which the electronic key can be suspended when the suspension eyelet is in the stowed position.

22. (New) An electronic key, according to claim 19, wherein:

the suspension eyelet is disposed on a guide arm; and

the guide arm includes a structure which is engageable with a corresponding structure of the mechanical key such that insertion of the mechanical key into the receptacle causes movement of the guide arm.

23. (New) An electronic key, according to claim 22, wherein said movement of the guide arm comprises one of sliding and pivoting into the stowed position of the suspension eyelet.